

FAIR PRACTICES IN AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade continued hearings on H.R. 5133, Fair Practices in Automotive Products Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

Joint Meeting

EXPORT TRADE

Conferees: On Monday, September 27, Conferees of the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs and House Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs agreed on the banking provision differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 734, promoting the formation of U.S. export trading companies to expand export participation by small U.S. companies.

APPROPRIATIONS—HUD

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on H.R. 6956, appropriating funds for fiscal year 1983 for the Department of Housing and Urban Development and certain independent agencies.

AUTHORIZATIONS—NASA

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 5890, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1983 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

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Wednesday, September 29, 1982

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Seventeen bills and nine resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2967-2983, S.J. Res. 256-258, S. Con. Res. 125, and S. Res. 484-488.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2719, providing for the settlement of certain land claims of the Mashantucket Pequot Indian Tribe of Connecticut, and to become a Federally recognized tribe, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 97-596)

S. Res. 484, waiving section 402(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to the

consideration of S. 2719, listed above. Referred to the Committee on the Budget.

H.R. 4001, providing for an exchange of certain land in New Mexico, held in trust by the U.S. for the Navajo Indian Tribe, with amendments.

S. Res. 476, waiving section 402(c) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to the consideration of S. 2936, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1983 for compensation to uniformed military personnel.

S. Res. 470, waiving section 402(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to the consideration of S. 2279, establishing the Alben Barkley National Historic Site in Kentucky (unfavorably).

S. Res. 471, waiving section 402(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to the consideration of H.R. 6188, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to engage in a special study to assist the State of Nebraska in establishing water resource development priorities in the Platte River Basin (unfavorably).

S. Res. 473, waiving section 402(c) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to the consideration of S. 675, establishing a Commission to study the jurisdiction of Federal and State courts and to make recommendations with respect to revision of Constitution and Federal law (unfavorably).

S. Res. 475, waiving section 402(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to the consideration of H.R. 4476, authorizing funds through fiscal year 1986 for the Administrative Conference of the United States (unfavorably).

S. Res. 480, waiving section 402(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to the consideration of H.R. 5427, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1983 for the Board for International Broadcasting with respect to radio broadcasting to Cuba, without recommendation.

S. 1444, directing the Administrator of General Services to donate to a State or local government certain property loaned to such government by the Defense Civil Preparedness Agency, with an amendment.

H.R. 3963, authorizing funds through fiscal year 1985 for drug abuse treatment programs for convicted Federal offenders.

Special Report from the Committee on Armed Services regarding Budget Allocations. (S. Rept. No. 97-597)

S. 596, S. 717, S. 747, S. 1329, S. 1513, S. 2039, S. 2103, S. 2116, private relief bills. (S. Rept. Nos. 97-598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, and 605)

S. 369, S. 370, S. 372, S. 374, S. 375, S. 377, S. 379, S. 617, S. 1465, private relief bills, each with an amendment. (S. Rept. Nos. 97-606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, and 614)

S. 1499, S. 1547, S. 642, S. 1636, S. 1838, private relief bills, each with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. Nos. 97-615, 616, 617, 618, and 619)

S. 273, S. 1470, S. 2052, private relief bills, each with amendments. (S. Rept. Nos. 97-620, 621, and 622)

H.R. 684, H.R. 825, H.R. 828, H.R. 1481, H.R. 1783, H.R. 1826, H.R. 1841, H.R. 2193, H.R. 2340, H.R. 2342, H.R. 2520, H.R. 3451, H.R. 3592, H.R. 4662, H.R. 6811, private relief bills. (S. Rept. Nos. 97-623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, and 637)

H.R. 5879, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1983 for refugee assistance programs. (S. Rept. 97-638)

S. 2580, establishing the Christopher Columbus Quincentenary Jubilee Commission, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 97-639)

S. 2978, the Indian Claims Act of 1982.

H.R. 6055, allowing taxpayers to choose to conduct their business in corporate or noncorporate form based solely upon business reasons, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 97-640)

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Measures Passed:

Authorizing Duplicate Conference Papers: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 414, authorizing and directing the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives to prepare and sign official duplicates of the conference papers on H.R. 5930, extending the aviation insurance program for five years.

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Training of Certain Employees: Committee on Governmental Affairs was discharged from the further consideration of H.R. 5145, amending title 5, United States Code, providing training opportunities for employees under the Office of the Architect of the Capitol and the Botanic Garden, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

Baker (for Stevens) unprinted amendment No. 1344, clarifying the Civil Service portion of the Omnibus Reconciliation Act; authorizing the Office of Personnel Management to detail to agencies with vacant positions senior executives who are subject to a reduction in force, and rechanneling certain government contributions to the Federal Employee Health Benefits Program into the contingency reserves of the health carriers.

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Land Exchange: Senate passed S. 1661, authorizing the acquisition of land by exchange for addition to the Effigy Mounds National Monument in Iowa.

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Plaque Honoring Joseph Rosenthal: Senate passed H.J. Res. 207, providing for the placement of a

plaque at the U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial honoring Joseph Rosenthal, the photographer of the scene depicted by the memorial.

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Lanham Trademark Act Amendments: Senate passed H.R. 5154, amending the Lanham Trademark Act, prohibiting any State from requiring that a registered trademark be altered for use within such State, and encouraging private enterprise with special emphasis on the preservation of small business.

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Inspection and Receipt of Certain Tax Records: Senate agreed to S. Res. 485, authorizing the inspection and receipt of tax records by the Select Committee to Study Law Enforcement Undercover Activities of Components of the Department of Justice.

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60th Anniversary of the Reserve Officers Association of the United States: Senate agreed to S. Res. 486, expressing the sense of the Senate that the Reserve Officers Association of the United States is deserving of public recognition and commendation upon the occasion of the 60th anniversary of its founding for its dedication to the development of a strong national defense.

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Recognition of Nitro, West Virginia: Senate agreed to S. Res. 487, recognizing the City of Nitro, West Virginia, as a living memorial to World War I.

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Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs: Senate passed H.R. 6164, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to implement the Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be Used for Such Carriage (ATP), after agreeing to Baker (for Dole) unprinted amendment No. 1345, providing for an additional Assistant Secretary of Agriculture to be appointed by the President.

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Enforcement of Animal Quarantine Laws: Senate passed H.R. 2035, authorizing Department of Agriculture employees engaged in animal disease control work to carry firearms in the performance of their official duties, after agreeing to Baker (for Hayakawa) unprinted amendment No. 1346, improving the quality of table grapes for marketing in the United States.

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Conveyance of Certain Mineral Interests: Senate passed H.R. 3881, providing for the release of reversionary and mineral interests of the United States conveyed to the Arkansas Forestry Commission.

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Release of Certain Land Interest: Senate passed H.R. 6422, providing for the release of reversionary

interest of the United States conveyed to the State of Connecticut.

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Freedom Week U.S.A.: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from the further consideration of S.J. Res. 255, designating the week of October 10 through October 16, 1982, as "Freedom Week U.S.A." and the measure was then passed.

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Continuing Appropriations, 1983: By 72 yeas to 26 nays, Senate passed H.J. Res. 599, making continuing appropriations through December 22, 1982, after agreeing to committee amendments with certain exceptions, and taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

(1) McClure unprinted amendment No. 1311, providing \$200,000, to remain available until expended, for necessary expenses to carry out Section 301 of the Native Hawaiians Study Commission Act (P.L. 96-565).

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(2) Heinz unprinted amendment No. 1312, providing that, in order to monitor and enforce export measures required by a foreign government or customs unions, pursuant to an international arrangement with the United States, the Secretary of the Treasury may, upon receipt of a request by the President of the United States and by a foreign government or customs union, require the presentation of a valid export license or other documents issued by such foreign government or customs union as a condition for entry into the United States of steel mill products specified in the request; and that the Secretary may provide by regulation for the terms and conditions under which such merchandise attempted to be entered without an accompanying valid export license or other documents may be denied entry into the United States.

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(3) Armstrong unprinted amendment No. 1313, providing, that notwithstanding any other provisions of the joint resolution, no other funds shall be available for the Water Resources Council.

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(4) Cohen unprinted amendment No. 1314, amending the Tariff Schedules of the United States to provide duty-free treatment for imported steam.

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(5) Danforth unprinted amendment No. 1316, expressing the sense of the Senate that the President of the United States should submit to Congress a clear and comprehensive report on the Administration's policy for minimizing the risk of nuclear war.

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(6) Hatfield unprinted amendment No. 1317, of a technical nature.

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(7) Percy unprinted amendment No. 1318, of a technical nature.

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(8) Proxmire unprinted amendment No. 1319, providing relief for certain private individuals.

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(9) Schmitt unprinted amendment No. 1320, clarifying congressional intent as regards the payment of certain Social Security claims.

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(10) Percy-Dixon unprinted amendment No. 1321, providing \$518,000,000, to remain available until expended, for Department of Transportation Interstate Transfer Grants-Highways, and \$365,000,000, to remain available until expended, for Department of Transportation Interstate Transfer Grants-Transit; and that allocations of these funds shall be distributed in accordance with House Report No. 97-783 or Senate Report No. 97-567, whichever is higher.

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(11) By 70 yeas to 29 nays, Moynihan unprinted amendment No. 1322, providing that it is the sense of the Senate that the Congress should reject any proposal to impose a "means test" on eligibility of the Medicare program or benefits provided by the Medicare program.

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(12) Bumpers unprinted amendment No. 1323 (to Moynihan unprinted amendment No. 1322), expressing the sense of the Senate that October 10, 1982, should be declared "National Peace Day."

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(13) D'Amato-Packwood unprinted amendment No. 1324, extending the housing financing adjustment factor for an additional three months.

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(14) Exon unprinted amendment No. 1325, providing for the continuation of preliminary payments to local education agencies in areas affected by Federal activity.

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(15) Hatfield unprinted amendment No. 1326, providing that all obligations incurred in anticipation of the appropriations and authority provided in the joint resolution for purposes of carrying on normal operations are ratified and confirmed if otherwise in accordance with the provisions of the joint resolution.

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(16) McClure-Bumpers unprinted amendment No. 1327, providing that, except as expressly provided for by law, none of the funds provided in the joint resolution shall be obligated to dispose, except by exchange, of any Federal land tract or lands with national environmental or economic value until such time as the General Services Administration, the Property Review Board, or other agencies as required under Executive Order 12348 has specifically identified them as no longer being needed by the

Federal Government, inventoried them as to their public benefit values, provided opportunity for public review and discussion of the property proposed for disposal; and provided 30 days advance notice of the property proposed for disposal and of the plans for carrying out such disposal to the congressional delegation of the State or States in which the tract proposed for sale is located and to the appropriate congressional committees.

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(17) Dole unprinted amendment No. 1328, extending for one year the application of the International Coffee Agreement Act of 1982.

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(18) Armstrong-Denton unprinted amendment No. 1329, providing that the provision relating to the Community Services Block Grant Act shall not apply in those States which have submitted an application to the Secretary for fiscal year 1983 prior to October 1, 1982, or which were operating their own program at some time during fiscal year 1982.

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(19) McClure-Jackson unprinted amendment No. 1330, providing that, with certain exceptions, none of the funds provided in the joint resolution shall be obligated for any aspect of the processing or issuance of permits or leases pertaining to exploration for or development of coal, oil, gas, oilshale, phosphate, potassium, sulphur, gilsonite, or geothermal resources on Federal lands within any component of the National Wilderness Preservation System or within any Forest Service RARE II areas recommended for wilderness designation or allocated to further planning in Executive Communication 1504, 96th Congress (H. Doc. No. 96-119), or within any lands designated by Congress as wilderness study areas.

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(20) Schmitt unprinted amendment No. 1331, providing that, notwithstanding any other provisions of the joint resolution, except Section 102, amounts which are available by Section 101 for continuing activities conducted in 1982 under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973, as amended, are also made available to continue those activities under the provisions of S. 2036 as reported by the committee of conference.

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(21) Moynihan-Riegle unprinted amendment No. 1332, providing that no funds provided under the joint resolution shall be used to enforce the regulations which took effect on August 1, 1982, increasing rents or rent contributions for the housing assistance programs under the United States Housing Act of 1937, prior to the expiration of 90 days after the date of enactment of the joint resolution.

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(22) Schmitt unprinted amendment No. 1333, providing that none of the funds provided in the joint

resolution or any other Act shall be used to implement an apportionment and staffing plan to specifically phase down the Public Health Service Commissioned Corps.

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(23) Stevens unprinted amendment No. 1334, deleting authority to pay certain Department of Defense bonuses, which are unbudgeted for fiscal year 1983.

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(24) Nunn unprinted amendment No. 1335, extending the period for which funds appropriated for the President's Commission for the Study of Ethical Problems in Medicine and Biomedical and Behavioral Research are available, until March 31, 1983.

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(25) Ford unprinted amendment No. 1336, providing that, notwithstanding any other provision of law, effective for the calendar year ending December 31, 1982, the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate is authorized to pay, from funds available to him in the account (within the contingent fund of the Senate) for "Miscellaneous Items," the increase in the mileage tariff rates imposed, effective October 1981, by the General Services Administration for telephone service provided through its Federal Telecommunications System during such calendar year to Senators in the States they represent.

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(26) McClure unprinted amendment No. 1338, providing that none of the funds appropriated under the joint resolution or any other provisions of law shall be used for the purposes of conducting any studies relating or leading to the possibility of changing from the currently required "at cost" to a "market rate" method for the pricing of hydroelectric power by the six Federal public power authorities, or other agencies or authorities of the Federal Government.

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(27) Danforth unprinted amendment No. 1340, permitting the Department of Transportation to obligate the full \$450,000,000 requested by the Administration for ADAP grants for FY 1982.

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(28) Hatfield unprinted amendment No. 1341, of a technical nature.

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Rejected:

(1) Metzenbaum Amendment No. 3621, to add funds for unemployment benefits.

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(2) By 48 yeas to 49 nays, Humphrey-Bumpers unprinted amendment No. 1309, to prohibit use of any funds for the Clinch River Breeder Reactor Project.

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(3) By 47 yeas to 51 nays, Metzenbaum unprinted amendment No. 1310 (to Metzenbaum Amendment

No. 3621), perfecting, to add funds for unemployment benefits. (By 50 yeas to 48 nays, Senate tabled a motion to reconsider the previous vote.)

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(4) Helms unprinted amendment No. 1315, to provide that such funds as may be necessary out of funds appropriated to the Federal Election Commission be used by the Commission to write regulations regarding use of union dues for political purposes. (By 62 yeas to 37 nays, Senate tabled the amendment.)

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(5) Hollings unprinted amendment No. 1339, to limit funds for production of MX missiles for which Congress has not approved a basing mode. (By 50 yeas to 46 nays, Senate tabled the amendment.)

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(6) Kennedy unprinted amendment No. 1342, to provide to the Department of Labor a sum equal to 5 percent of the latest estimated cost to the Federal Government of unemployment compensation for the current fiscal year, to remain available until December 31, 1982. (By 60 yeas to 37 nays, Senate tabled the amendment.)

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(7) Nickles unprinted amendment No. 1343 (to Kennedy unprinted amendment No. 1342), to amend the Davis-Bacon Act. (By 52 yeas to 44 nays, Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Senate insisted on its amendments, requested a conference with the House thereon, and appointed as conferees Senators Hatfield, Stevens, Weicker, McClure, Laxalt, Garn, Schmitt, Cochran, Andrews, Abdnor, Kasten, D'Amato, Mattingly, Rudman, Specter, Proxmire, Stennis, Inouye, Hollings, Eagleton, Chiles, Johnston, Huddleston, Leahy, Sasser, DeConcini, Bumpers, and Burdick.

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Action Vitiating:

Senate passed the following bills, and subsequently action was vitiated and the bills were returned to the calendar:

S. 1964, designating certain wilderness areas in the Mark Twain National Forest in Missouri as components of the National Wilderness System; and

S. 2710, establishing a wilderness area in the Hoosier National Forest area, Indiana, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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NASA Authorizations, 1983: Senate appointed Senators Tower and Ford as additional conferees (solely for the purpose of considering section 5) on H.R. 5890, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1983 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

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Missing Children Information System: Senate insisted upon its amendment to H.R. 6976, maintain-

ing a nationwide computer system for information on missing children and on deceased individuals whose next of kin cannot be identified or located, requested a conference with the House thereon, and appointed as conferees Senators Thurmond, Hatch, Specter, Hawkins, Biden, DeConcini, and Heflin.

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HUD Appropriations, 1983—Conference Report: Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 6956, appropriating funds for fiscal year 1983 for the Department of Housing and Urban Affairs and certain independent agencies.

Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to the amendments of the Senate numbered 6, 16, 26, 27, 30, 38, 42, 45, 51, 52, 53, and 61.

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Veterans' Compensation, Education and Employment Amendments of 1982—Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to the amendments of the Senate. H.R. 6782, increasing the rates of disability compensation for disabled veterans, increasing the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for surviving spouses and children of disabled veterans, discontinuing duplicative payment to certain veterans, increasing the level of disability required for the payment of dependent allowances, providing for cost-saving improvements in veterans' programs, and improving certain aspects of the Veterans' Administration educational benefits program and the Department of Labor veterans' employment programs.

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Treaties Considered: The following treaties were considered as having passed through their various parliamentary stages up to and including presentation of resolutions of ratification:

97-5, Treaty with New Zealand on the Delimitation of the Maritime Boundary Between the United States and Tokelau.

97-2, Protocol to the Agreement on the Importation of Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials, adopted at Nairobi on November 26, 1976.

97-18, Convention with Mexico for the recovery and return of stolen or embezzled vehicles and aircraft.

Ex. N, 92-2, Convention on Tonnage Measurements of Ships, 1969.

97-25, Conservation of Salmon in North Atlantic Ocean.

97-26, Estate and Gift Tax Treaty with the Republic of Austria.

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached for further consideration of the treaties, with a vote to occur thereon on Thursday, September 30, at 1 p.m.

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Executive Report: Senate received Executive Report together with additional views on the nomination of Jay F. Morris, of Maryland, to be Deputy Administrator of the Agency for International Development. (Exec. Rept. No. 97-62)

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Confirmation: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

K. William O'Connor, of Virginia, to be Special Counsel of the Merit Systems Protection Board.

Raymond L. Acosta, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico.

James C. Fox, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of North Carolina.

Arthur F. Van Court, to be U.S. Marshal for the Eastern District of California.

Stephen W. Bosworth, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of the Panama Canal Commission.

Philip Abrams, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

William A. Hewitt, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to Jamaica.

Theodore C. Maino, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Botswana.

Peter D. Constable, of New York to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zaire.

Robert B. Oakley, of Louisiana, to be Ambassador to the Somali Democratic Republic

Everett E. Briggs, of Maine, to be Ambassador to Panama.

David J. Fischer, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Seychelles.

Sharon E. Ahmad, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of The Gambia.

John Blane, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Rwanda.

10 Army nominations in the rank of General

6 Navy nominations in the rank of Admiral

8 Air Force nominations in the rank of General

Routine lists of Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps nominations.

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Record Votes: Nine record votes were taken today. (Total—373)

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Recess: Senate convened at 8:20 a.m., and recessed at 10:13 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, September 30, 1982. (For Senate's program, see remarks of Senator Baker in today's Record on page 25929.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Fowler C. West, of Texas, to be Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and Orville G. Bentley, of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Science and Education, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. West was introduced by Senators Tower and Jepsen, and Representatives Foley, Wampler, and Leath; and Mr. Bentley was introduced by Senators Percy and Dixon, and Representative Daniel Crane.

NOMINATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Rita M. Rodriguez, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Dixon, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

REGULATION OF OIL PIPELINES

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings on S. 1626, to reform and improve the regulation of oil pipelines, receiving testimony from Leonard L. Coburn, Director, Office of Competition, Congressional, Intergovernmental and Public Affairs, Department of Energy; William F. Baxter, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; Robert C. Means, Director, Office of Regulatory Analysis, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; Teo Spengler, representing the Office of the Governor of Alaska, Dean Taylor, Association of Oil Pipelines, Linda H. Kamm, on behalf of the Independent Refiners Association of America, Jack Blum, on behalf of the Independent Gasoline Marketers Council, Keith E. Bailey, Williams Pipe Line Company, and Richard J. Barber, Richard J. Barber Associates, Inc., on behalf of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline Systems Carriers, all of Washington, D.C.; Edward Mitchell, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; Wendell C. Putnam, Farmland Industries, Inc., Kansas City, Missouri; Frank G. Turpin, Alyeska Pipeline Service Company, Anchorage, Alaska; and Kenneth P. Fountain, Exxon Pipeline Company, Houston, Texas.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: On Tuesday, September 28, the committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

H.R. 6055, allowing taxpayers to choose to conduct their business in corporate or noncorporate form based solely upon business reasons, with amendments;

H.R. 5573, encouraging contributions of computers and other technological equipment to elementary and secondary schools, with amendments;

H.R. 4577, revising certain provisions of the Economic Recovery Tax Act (P.L. 97-34), with respect to the taxation of property received by an employee as compensation for services, with amendments;

H.R. 7094, imposing a tax on failures to adhere to conditions of determination letters relating to independent management of the assets of multiemployer plans, with amendments;

H.R. 5470, insuring periodic payments for damages received on account of personal injuries, with amendments;

H.R. 7093, reducing the rate of certain taxes paid to the Virgin Islands on Virgin Islands source income, with an amendment; and

H.R. 1524, prohibiting any taxpaying utility from using the normalization method of accounting if, for rate-making purposes or for reflecting operating results in its regulated books of account, it employs any adjustment that is inconsistent with the existing requirements for users of such accounting method, with amendments.

Also, the committee agreed to offer a committee amendment to H.R. 6056, making technical corrections relating to the Economic Recovery Tax Act (P.L. 97-34), the Crude Oil Windfall Profit Tax Act (P.L. 96-223), and the Installment Sales Revision Act (P.L. 96-471), pending on Senate calendar. The amendment would clarify that, if an aircraft covered by the transition rules to safe-harbor leasing enacted as part of the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 were transferred outside the United States in the event of bankruptcy, such disposition would not result in a recapture of tax benefits originally transferred to the lessor in a safe-harbor lease.

A press release summarizing the actions taken by the committee is available in room 2227, Dirksen Office Building.

FLAT-RATE TAX

Committee on Finance: Committee continued hearings on proposals providing for a flat-rate income tax, and a simplified income tax with lower rates and fewer exemptions from the general rate, receiving testimony from Senator Domenici; Louis Harris, Louis Harris & Associates, New York City; Jerome Kurtz, Paul, Weiss, Rifkin, Wharton & Garrison, M. Bernard Aidinoff, American Bar Association, Shel-

don Cohen, Cohen & Uretz, and Evelyn Y. Davis, Highlights and Lowlights, all of Washington, D.C.; Bruce Herschensohn, KABC-TV, Hollywood, California; and Jim Jones, Government Research and Development Foundation, Blanco, Texas.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

STEEL INDUSTRY

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on International Trade concluded hearings on S. 2770 and S. 2771, bills imposing certain restrictions on the importation of specialty steel products, after receiving testimony from Gary Worlick, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for International Trade; Michael Hathaway, Deputy General Counsel, Office of United States Trade Representative; Adolph J. Lena, Al-Tech Specialty Steel Corporation, Dunkirk, New York; and David A. Hartquist, Collier, Shannon, Rill, and Scott, Washington, D.C.

NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION POLICY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings to review U.S. nuclear non-proliferation policy, after receiving testimony from James B. Devine, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Nuclear Energy and Energy Technology Affairs; Nunzio Palladino, Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Joseph S. Nye, Jr., Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Manning L. Muntzing, American Nuclear Society, and Paul Leventhal, Nuclear Control Institute, both of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee began markup of S. 1325, placing limits and restrictions on the services and allowances currently provided to former presidents, and S. 2127, increasing competition in government contracting by imposing new restrictions on the use of noncompetitive contracts, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

HOTEL AND RESTAURANT WORKERS UNION

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued hearings to investigate alleged involvement of organized crime and mismanagement of funds in the hotel and restaurant workers union (HEREIU), focusing on Local 30 in San Diego, California, receiving testimony from David Faulkner, Subcommittee Staff Investigator; Howard Shapiro, Subcommittee Staff Counsel; and Rachel Craft and Herbert Schiffman, both of Local 30, and John Armstrong, San Diego County District Attorney's Office, all of San Diego, California.

Hearings continue on tomorrow.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of George G. Fagg, of Iowa, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Jepsen and Grassley, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

PROFESSIONAL SPORTS ANTITRUST IMMUNITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee resumed hearings on S. 2784, and S. 2821, bills clarifying the intent of antitrust laws relating to the relocation of member clubs of professional sports leagues, receiving testimony from Representative Dixon; Lee Peltzman, on behalf of the National Basketball Association, Donald M. Fehr, Major League Baseball Players Association, both of New York City; John F. Bassett, Toronto, Canada; and Louis B. Schwartz, University of Pennsylvania Law School, Philadelphia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

AUTHORIZATIONS—DRUG TREATMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee approved for reporting H.R. 3963, authorizing funds through fiscal year 1985 for the examination of convicted Federal offenders who are released on parole, or sentenced to probation, to determine if they are drug users, and providing for the appropriate drug-abuse treatment.

REFUGEES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Refugee Policy met to consult with Administration officials on refugee admittance programs. Present were William French Smith, Attorney General, Department of Justice; David B. Swoap, Under Secretary of Health and Human Services; Kenneth Dam, Secretary of State; and H. Eugene Douglas, U.S. Coordinator for Refugee Affairs, Department of State.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

H.R. 6417, revising certain provisions of P.L. 96-432, relating to the United States Capitol Grounds, to include certain sidewalks and contiguous areas within the definition of the U.S. Capitol Grounds;

An original resolution authorizing the Senate Sergeant at Arms, with the approval of the Committee on Rules and Administration, to settle certain claims involving Members, officers, and employees of the United States Senate; and

An original resolution authorizing the printing of the prayers by the Reverend Edward L. R. Elson, S.

T.D., as Chaplain of the Senate during the 96th and 97th Congresses, as a Senate document.

Also, committee disapproved for reporting an original resolution authorizing the purchase of U.S. Historical Society wall calendars for the use of the Senate.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 2418, authorizing the Twenty-nine Palms Band of Luiseno Mission Indians to lease specified trust lands in California, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 4364, declaring that certain lands in Pima County, Arizona, shall be held in trust by the United States for the Pascua-Yaqui Indian Tribe;

H.R. 4365, providing that funds distributed per capita to certain members of an Indian tribe may be so distributed by the Secretary of the Interior or the governing body of any such tribe;

S. 2623, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1985, 1986, and 1987 for the Tribally Controlled Community College program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2847, authorizing funds through fiscal year 1987 for the construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation of Indian housing, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1735, providing for the use and distribution of funds awarded the Pembina Chippewa Indians in specified dockets of the U.S. Court of Claims, with amendments.

SOVIET SUCCESSION

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded hearings on implications of the Brezhnev succession for the United States, focusing on the historical juncture at which the USSR now stands, after receiving testimony from Jerry F. Hough, the Brookings Institution, and William Hyland, Georgetown University, both of Washington, D.C.; Myron Rush, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York; and Robert Conquest the Hoover Institute, Stanford University, Stanford, California.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 7205-7221; 2 private bills, H.R. 7222 and 7223; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 614-616, and H. Con. Res. 414-416 were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 6956, making appropriations for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983 (H. Rept. 97-891);

Report entitled Allocation of Budget Totals Under the First Budget Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 1983 by the Committee on Foreign Affairs (H. Rept. 97-892);

S. 1573, to exempt the Lake Oswego, Oregon, hydroelectric facility from part I of the Federal Power Act (Act of June 10, 1910) as amended, amended (H. Rept. 97-893);

H.R. 7205, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983 (H. Rept. 97-894);

H.R. 5785, to quiet title and possession with respect to a certain private land claim in Livingston Parish, Louisiana, amended (H. Rept. 97-895);

H.R. 6612, to provide for the settlement of land claims of the Mashantucket Pequot Indian Tribe of Connecticut, amended (H. Rept. 97-896); and

Conference report on H.R. 5890, to authorize appropriations to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for research and development, construction of facilities, and research and program management (H. Rept. 97-897).

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Consent Calendar: On the call of the Consent Calendar, the House took the following actions:

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Shawnee Indians: H.R. 5795, to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Shawnee Tribe of Indians in dockets 64, 335, and 338 by the Indian Claims Commission and docket 64-A by the United States Court of Claims;

Wyandot Indians: H.R. 6403, to provide for the use and distribution of funds to the Wyandot Tribe of Indians in docket 139 before the Indian Claims Commission and docket 141 before the United States Court of Claims; and

McDermott Mail Center: H.R. 2303, to designate the New York Bulk and Foreign Mail Center at Jersey City, New Jersey, as the "Michael McDermott Bulk and Foreign Mail Center".

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Miami Indians: H.R. 5553, to provide for the use and disposition of Miami Indians judgment funds in dockets 124-B and 254 before the United States Court of Claims;

Federal lands for Indians: H.R. 5916, to declare certain Federal lands acquired for the benefit of Indians to be held in trust for the Tribes of such Indians;

Luiseno Mission Indians: H.R. 6122, to authorize the Twenty-nine Palms Band of Luiseno Mission Indians to lease for ninety-nine years certain lands held in trust for such band;

Kickapoo Indians: H.R. 4496, to clarify the citizenship status of the members of the Texas Band of Kickapoo Indians; to provide for a reservation for the Texas Band of Kickapoo; to provide to members of the Texas Band of Kickapoo those services and benefits furnished to American Indian tribes and individuals. Agreed to amend the title; and

Haynsworth Federal Building: H.R. 5941, to designate the building known as the Federal Building and United States Courthouse in Greenville, South Carolina, as the "Clement F. Haynsworth, Jr., Federal Building". Agreed to amend the title.

Eligible bills not considered:

Passed over without prejudice: H.R. 5652 and H.R. 6588.

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Housing Development Insurance: House passed H.J. Res. 612, to provide for the temporary extension of certain insurance programs relating to housing and community development.

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Military Construction Appropriations: House disagreed to the amendments of the Senate to H.R. 6968, making appropriations for military construction for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983; and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Ginn, Bevill, Hefner, Long of Maryland, Addabbo, Obey, Chappell, Alexander, Whitten, Regula, Burgener, Edwards of Oklahoma, Loeffler, and Conte.

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Suspensions: House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Uniform services pay: H.R. 7166, amended, to provide a 4 percent increase in the pay and allowances of members of the uniformed services, to make various adjustments in military personnel and compensation programs;

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Federal water pollution control: H.R. 7159, amended, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to allow modifications of certain effluent limitations relating to biochemical oxygen demand and pH;

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Alcohol traffic safety: H.R. 6170, amended, to amend title 23, United States Code, to encourage the establishment by States of effective alcohol traffic safety programs. Agreed to amend the title;

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Sleeping Bear Dunes: H.R. 3787, amended, to amend sections 10 and 11 of the Act of October 21, 1970 (Public Law 91-479; 16 U.S.C. 460x), entitled "An Act to establish in the State of Michigan the

Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, and for other purposes";

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Voyageurs National Park: H.R. 846, amended, to revise the boundary of Voyageurs National Park in the State of Minnesota. Subsequently, this passage was vacated and S. 625, a similar Senate-passed bill, was passed in lieu after being amended to contain the language of the House bill as passed;

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National park protection: H.R. 5162, amended, directing the Secretary of the Interior to prepare and submit a state of the parks report to Congress (passed by a yea-and-nay vote of 319 yeas to 84 nays, Roll No. 376). Agreed to amend the title;

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Royalty Collection Act: H.R. 5121, amended to improve the collection of Federal royalties and lease payments derived from certain natural resources under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior;

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Migrant worker protection: H.R. 7102, amended, to provide for the protection of migrant and seasonal agricultural workers and for the registration of contractors of migrant and seasonal agricultural labor;

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Child nutrition: H. Con. Res. 384, amended, expressing the sense of Congress that the United States should maintain Federal involvement in, and support for, the child nutrition programs; and

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Education programs increased authorization: H.R. 7137, amended, to increase the authorization of appropriations for certain education programs.

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Export Administration Act: By a yea-and-nay vote of 209 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 379, the House passed H.R. 6838, to amend the Export Administration Act of 1979 to terminate certain export controls imposed on December 30, 1981, and June 22, 1982.

By a yea-and-nay vote of 206 yeas to 203 nays, Roll No. 378, agreed to a motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Foreign Affairs with instructions to report the bill back forthwith with an amendment that rescinds in 90 days the export controls on oil and gas transmission, refining, and related equipment and technology destined for the Soviet Union, provided that within the 90 days the President certifies to the Congress that the Soviet Union is not using forced labor.

Agreed to the aforesaid amendment.

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Pell Grants: House agreed to the conference report on S. 2852, to amend section 439 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 to make a technical amendment relating to priority of indebtedness, to provide for the family contribution schedule for student finan-

cial assistance for academic years 1983-1984, and 1984-1985—clearing the measure for the President.

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Late Report: Conferees received permission to have until midnight tonight to file a conference report on H.R. 5890, to authorize appropriations to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for research and development, construction of facilities, and research and program management.

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Missing Children: House disagreed to the amendments of the Senate to H.R. 6976, to amend title 28 of the United States Code, to require the Attorney General to acquire and exchange information to assist Federal, State, and local officials in the identification of certain deceased individuals and in the location of missing persons (including unemancipated persons); and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Edwards of California, Kastenmeier, Schroeder, Washington, Sensenbrenner, Lungren, Shaw, and Simon.

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Select Committee on Children: House agreed to H. Res. 421, to amend the Rules of the House of Representatives to establish a Select Committee on Children, Youth, and Families.

Agreed to the committee amendments.

Agreed to amend the title.

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Ocean and Coastal Resources: By a yea-and-nay vote of 260 yeas to 134 nays, Roll No. 380, the House passed H.R. 5543, to establish an Ocean and Coastal Resources Management and Development Fund and to require the Secretary of Commerce to provide to coastal States national ocean and resources management and development block grants from sums in the Fund.

Agreed to the committee amendments.

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Aviation Insurance: Agreed to H. Con. Res. 414, directing the preparation of duplicate conference papers on H.R. 5930, to extend the aviation insurance program for five years.

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Coast Guard Authorization: House agreed to the Senate amendment to House amendment to S. 2252, to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 1983 and 1984—clearing the measure for the President.

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HUD Appropriations: House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 6956, making appropriations for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983.

House receded from its disagreement and concurred in Senate amendments numbered 13, 23, and 66.

House receded from its disagreement and concurred, with amendment, in Senate amendments numbered 6, 16, 26, 27, 30, 38, 42, 45, 51, 52, 53, and 61.

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Military Construction Authorization: House agreed to the conference report on S. 2586, to authorize certain construction at military installations for fiscal year 1983—clearing the measure for the President.

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Buffalo Bill Dam: Agreed to the conference report on S. 1409, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain modifications of the existing Buffalo Bill Dam and Reservoir Shoshone project, Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin program, Wyoming—clearing the measure for the President.

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National Spinal Cord Injury Month: House passed H.J. Res. 598, to provide for the designation of the month of October, 1982, as "National Spinal Cord Injury Month".

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Washington Cathedral: House agreed to S. Con. Res. 120, to commemorate the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Washington Cathedral.

Agreed to a committee amendment.

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Head Start Awareness Month: House passed H.J. Res. 588, to provide for the designation of the month of October 1982, as "Head Start Awareness Month".

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National Newspaper Carriers Appreciation Day: House passed and cleared for the President S.J. Res. 239, designating October 16, 1982, as "National Newspaper Carriers Appreciation Day".

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Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL MEAT INSPECTION ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry held a hearing on H.R. 5268, Federal Meat Inspection Act Amendments of 1981. Testimony was heard from departmental and public witnesses.

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS BILL; BANKRUPTCY COURT ACT

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported H.R. 7205, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1983.

The Committee adversely reported H.R. 6978, Bankruptcy Court Act of 1982.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; REAL ESTATE PROJECTS; COST VARIATION PROJECTS; MINOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities approved for full Committee action H.R. 1856, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to donate to State and local governments certain Federal personal property loaned to them for civil defense use.

The Subcommittee held hearings on the following bills: H.R. 6691, to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize an alternative to the conventional construction of military family housing within the United States, Puerto Rico, and Guam; H.R. 7049, to authorize the Secretary of the Air Force to enter into certain contracts for the lease of family housing facilities for assignment to members of the Armed Forces; and S. 2625, Emergency Services Improvement Act of 1982. Testimony was heard from Representatives Dickinson, St Germain and Stenholm; Patrick J. Meehan, Jr., Director, Facility Requirements and Resources, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Manpower, Reserve Affairs and Logistics, Department of Defense and George Jett, General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

The Subcommittee also approved 39 real estate projects, 2 cost variation reports and 7 minor construction projects.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on these matters. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

PENN SQUARE FAILURE

Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs: Held a hearing on Penn Square failure. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

SPENDING LEVELS

Committee on the Budget: Met to certify current spending levels for fiscal year 1983.

MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Elementary, Secondary and Vocational Education and the Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education held a joint hearing on the following bills: H.R. 6674, American Defense Education Act; H.R. 6775, Precollege Mathematics and Science Teacher Assistance Act; H.R. 7135, to strengthen the security and the economic and cultural progress of the Nation through Federal assistance for improved student opportunities in mathematics, science, technology, and foreign languages in the elementary and secondary schools; H.R. 6656, to establish a program of Presidential teaching and research fellowships in mathematics and science and a Presidential precollege science and mathematics inservice teaching program; H.R. 5742, National Commission on Science, Engineering, and Technology Education; and H.R. 6950, to establish a national high-technology technician training program, utilizing the resources of the Nation's 2-year community colleges to contribute to the economic strength of the United States by creating a pool of skilled technicians in strategic high-technology fields, to increase national productivity, to improve the competitiveness of the United States in international trade. Testimony was heard from Senator Glenn; Representative McCurdy and public witnesses.

EDUCATION FOR THE HANDICAPPED

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Select Education approved for full Committee action H. Res. 558, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that regulations recently proposed by the Secretary of Education under the Education of the Handicapped Act should not be permitted to take effect.

The Subcommittee also concluded oversight hearings on the proposed regulations for Public Law 94-142, Education for All Handicapped Children Act. Testimony was heard from Terrel H. Bell, Secretary of Education and public witnesses.

HUMAN RIGHTS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Affairs and the Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Organizations held a joint hearing on reconciling strategic interests and Human Rights in Asia, Part V, China. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN EUROPE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Europe and the Middle East held a hearing on recent developments in the Middle East. Testimony was heard from Nicholas A. Veliotis, Assistant Sec-

retary, Bureau of Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, Department of State.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered reported the following measures: H.J. Res. 553, amended, to authorize Indian tribes to bring certain actions on behalf of their members with respect to certain legal claims; S. 1986, amended, to provide for the use and distribution of funds awarded the Blackfeet and Gros Ventre Tribes of Indians and the Assiniboine Tribe of the Fort Belknap Indian Community, and others, in dockets numbered 250-A and 279-C by the United States Court of Claims; H.R. 6655, amended, Small Business Salvage Timber Sales Act of 1982; S. 1777, relating to the establishment of a permanent boundary for that portion of the Acadia National Park as lies within the town of Isle au Haut, Maine; H.R. 6882, amended, to revise the boundaries of the Cumberland Island National Seashore and to provide compensation for certain facilities on the seashore; S. 188, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain lands in the Gallatin National Forest; H.R. 5785, amended, to quiet title and possession with respect to a certain private land claim in Livingston Parish, La.; H.R. 6471, amended, for the acquisition by the United States by exchange of certain Native-owned lands or interest in lands in Alaska; S. 187, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands near Miles City, Montana, and to remove certain reservations from prior conveyances; S. 1540, amended, to revise the boundaries of the Saratoga National Historical Park in the State of New York; H.R. 7155, to settle certain Indian land claims within the State of Florida; H.R. 5826, to provide for the reinstatement and validation of U.S. oil and gas lease numbered W 24153; and H.R. 4521, to extend the lease terms of Federal oil and gas leases, W 66245, W 66246, W 66247, and W 62250.

The Committee also approved a resolution regarding replacement of the Springville-Mapleton Lateral Siphon of the Strawberry Valley Project, Utah.

MARITIME SERVICES FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY ACT

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Merchant Marine held a hearing on H.R. 6829, Maritime Services Financial Responsibility Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Wyden and public witnesses.

BUDGET PROCESS

Committee on Rules: Task Force on the Budget process continued hearings on the Budget Process. Testimony was heard from Senators Roth, Domenici and

Ford; Alice M. Rivlin, Director, CBO; Charles A. Bowsher, Comptroller General, GAO and former Representative Robert N. Giaimo.

RYES SYNDROME

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Natural Resources, Agriculture Research and Environment concluded hearings on Ryes Syndrome. Testimony was heard from Edward N. Brandt, Jr., Assistant Secretary for Health, Department of Health and Human Services and a public witness.

AUTOMOBILE RESEARCH COMPETITION ACT

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Transportation, Aviation and Materials approved for full Committee action as amended H.R. 5880, Automobile Research Competition Act.

MEXICAN PESO DEVALUATION

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on SBA and SBIC Authority, Minority Enterprise and General Small Business Problems held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 7022, to amend the Small Business Act to provide assistance to areas of economic dislocation in the United States that is the result of drastic fluctuation in the value of the currency in a country contiguous to the United States; H.R. 7070, to amend the Small Business Act to restore the authority to make loans for economic dislocation and to clarify that such dislocations include foreign currency devaluations; and H.R. 7160, to amend the Small Business Act to provide assistance to areas of economic dislocation in the United States that is the result of drastic fluctuation in the value of the currency in a country contiguous to the United States. Testimony was heard from Representatives de la Garza, Udall, Kazen, Edwards of California, White and Hunter and from the following officials of the SBA: Peter Terpeluk, Jr., Acting Deputy Administrator and Reynaldo Lopez, Administrator, Region III.

FAIR PRACTICES IN AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade continued hearings on H.R. 5133, Fair Practices in Automotive Products Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

Joint Meetings

TECHNOLOGY AND HANDICAPPED PEOPLE

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources and House Subcommittee on Science, Research, and Technology of the Committee

on Science and Technology concluded joint hearings to review the Office of Technology Assessment's study entitled "Technology and Handicapped People," after receiving testimony from John H. Gibbons, Director, and Clyde J. Behney, Project Director for the Study, both of the Office of Technology Assessment; Jean Elder, Commissioner of Developmental Disabilities, Department of Health and Human Resources; James Aller, Director, Science and Technology Program to Aid the Handicapped, National Science Foundation; Margaret Giannini, Director of Rehabilitation, Engineering R&D Service, Veterans' Administration; Alan M. Hofmeister, Utah State University, Logan; Barry Romich, Prentke-Romich Company, Shreve, Ohio; Mark Ozer, George Washington University School of Medicine, James Reswick, National Institute of Handicapped Research, and Oral Miller, representing the American Council of the Blind, all of Washington, D.C.; Colin McLaurin, University of Virginia, Rehabilitation Engineering Center, Charlottesville; Margaret Prommer, Northwestern University Rehabilitation Engineering Program, Chicago, Illinois; John Eulenberg, and James Renuk, both of the Artificial Language Laboratory, Michigan State University, East Lansing; Jan Little, Medical Equipment Distributors, Inc., Maywood, Illinois; James C. Bliss, Telesensory Systems, Inc., Palo Alto, California; Lathan Breunig, Arlington, Virginia; Frank Bowe, Frank Bowe Associates, Lawrence, New York; and Judy Heuman, California Department of Rehabilitation, Sacramento.

AUTHORIZATIONS—NASA

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on H.R. 5890, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1983 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

DEPOSITORY INSTITUTIONS AMENDMENTS

Conferees agreed to file a report on H.R. 6267, to assist the thrift industry by providing net worth assistance to savings institutions and additional flexibility to their Federal regulatory agencies.

D.C.—FEDERAL PAYMENT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on S. 2457, providing for an increase in the funding level for the Federal payment to the government of the District of Columbia.

EXPORT TRADE

Conferees of the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs and House Committee on the Judiciary agreed on the Title III provision differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 734, promoting the formation of U.S.

trading companies to expand export participation by small U.S. companies.

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Thursday, September 30, 1982

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Seventeen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2984-3000; S. Res. 489; S.J. Res. 259, and S. Con. Res. 126 and 127.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 6267, to assist the thrift industry by providing net worth assistance to savings institutions and additional flexibility to their Federal regulatory agencies. (S. Rept. No. 97-641)

S. Res. 462, expressing the sense of the Senate concerning consultations with the Government of Japan on exports of agricultural products from the United States to Japan. (S. Rept. No. 97-642)

S. 1562, establishing the Arctic Research Council to coordinate a comprehensive Arctic research policy, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1782, eliminating the practice of "retainage", whereby Federal agencies withhold 10 percent of a contractor's payments until the project is completed, on certain Federal construction contracts, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

H.R. 1524, prohibiting any taxpaying utility from using the normalization method of accounting if, for rate-making purposes or for reflecting operating results in its regulated books of account, it employs any adjustment that is inconsistent with the existing requirements for users of such accounting method, with amendments (with additional views). (S. Rept. No. 97-643)

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Measures Passed:

Antitrust Reciprocity: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from the further consideration of H.R. 5106, placing certain conditions on the ability of foreign governments to sue for damages for antitrust violations in U.S. courts, and limiting the amount of antitrust damages recoverable by a foreign government to that amount which the U.S.

Government would be entitled to recover, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

Baker (for Thurmond) unprinted amendment No. 1347, providing for judgments arising from exposure to TRIS (2, 3-Dipromopropyl) phosphate.

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Enrollment Corrections: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 127, making corrections in the enrollment of S. 2036, providing for State and local employment and training assistance.

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Convicted Criminals and Firearms: By 93 yeas to 1 nay, Senate passed S. 1688, making it a Federal offense when a convicted criminal commits a series of crimes involving firearms, after agreeing to Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and an amendment proposed thereto as follows:

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Robert C. Byrd (for Kennedy) unprinted amendment No. 1348, providing for Federal prosecution under this act only where the local prosecuting authority requests or concurs in such Federal prosecution.

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Authorizations, Treasury Agencies—1983: Senate passed H.R. 6094, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1983 for the U.S. International Trade Commission, U.S. Trade Representative, and the U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2555, as amended by Dole unprinted amendment No. 1349, authorizing additional funds for the U.S. Customs Service to maintain personnel levels.

S. 2555, Senate companion measure, was then indefinitely postponed.

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Small Business Corporations: Senate passed H.R. 6055, allowing taxpayers to choose to conduct their business in corporate or noncorporate form based solely upon business reasons, after agreeing to committee amendments.

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Technical Corrections to Tax Acts: Senate passed H.R. 6056, making technical corrections relating to the Economic Recovery Tax Act (P.L. 97-34), the Crude Oil Windfall Profit Tax Act (P.L. 96-223), and the Installment Sales Revision Act (P.L. 96-471), after agreeing to committee amendments en bloc, and further amendments proposed thereto as follows:

(1) Dole unprinted amendment No. 1350, relating to transitional rules of safe harbor leasing for certain aircraft.